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By: **Delegates Barkley and Vallario**

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Assigned to: Judiciary

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Circuit Court Clerks - Salary**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the maximum salary that the Board of Public Works may  
4 set for a clerk of a circuit court; repealing the minimum salaries for the clerks of  
5 the circuit courts; and providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or  
6 compensation of an incumbent clerk.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
9 Section 2-504  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

15 2-504.

16 (a) The clerk of each circuit court shall receive an annual salary of not [less  
17 than \$10,000 or] more than [\$75,000] \$85,000 as set by the Board of Public Works on  
18 the basis of the relative volume of business and receipts in [his] THE CLERK'S office.  
19 [In Baltimore City, the clerk's salary may not be less than \$12,000.]

20 (b) A clerk shall devote his full working time to the duties of [his] THE  
21 CLERK'S office and is entitled to the salary prescribed in subsection (a).

22 (c) The salary of a clerk is payable biweekly.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III,  
24 Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or  
25 apply to the salary or compensation of the clerk of each circuit court in office on the  
26 effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or  
27 compensation of the clerk of each circuit court shall take effect at the beginning of the  
28 next following term of office.

1       SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2       October 1, 2001.